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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, In late 2013, Target experienced a security data breach that affected as many as 40 million people who used their credit or debit cards at the retailer; and

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WHEREAS, In 2014, credit card data security breaches were reported by retailers including, but not limited to: Neiman Marcus, Sally Beauty, Michaels, P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Albertson's and Supervalu, UPS, Dairy Queen, Goodwill Industries, Home Depot, Jimmy John's, Kmart, Staples, and Bebe; and

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WHEREAS, On February 5, 2015, Anthem Inc., a health insurer, announced that it experienced a cyber-data breach on its database of 80 million records containing personal information such as names, birth dates, addresses, and Social Security numbers; and

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WHEREAS, On January 27, 2015, United States Representative Gus Bilarikis of Florida stated in the United States House Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade that a need exists to ensure that merchants are appropriately protecting consumers; and

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WHEREAS, The Credit Union National Association has created

1 a national action alert regarding data breaches, including a  
2 website, StoptheDataBreaches.com; and

3 WHEREAS, The Credit Union National Association urges  
4 citizens to make their government officials and  
5 representatives aware of the problem of data breaches;  
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we urge the federal  
9 government of the United States of America to address the issue  
10 of data security breaches; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That we urge the United States government to  
12 focus on increased accountability and higher security  
13 regarding both credit data used at retailers and personal  
14 information data kept by any organization; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
16 presented to the members of the Illinois congressional  
17 delegation.